Wo find in the "Exotic" of January of the season, coupled with a citation

and his section, concerning the Mem- desting

color disqualities for the office of Ruling Elder or Minister of the Church of God in the South; and many persons being much put to, to justify their conduct and igs towards negroes and some having been driven into the heresy of diverity of races, and others having declared negroes to be not only of a different oriand such people being inclined not to regard any thing they dislike, which is rebels, I beg to introduc the following passage from the fast day sermon of Rev. J. H. Thornwell, D. D. preached in Co-

no distinction of race or blood.

That we have not characterized too strongly the statement above cited, will be Islain to the comprehension of a child, from a comparison of this report of , the Assembly's opinion, and the follow- word are invested with the right to

Session or Presbytery shall find a colored person who shall possess suitable qualifications, they are authorized to license him to labor as an exhorter among the colored people under the Sessions of the body appointing him.

From Dr. Thornwell:

prehend that in some cases we have given occasion to the calumnies of our adversaries, by putting the defence of slavery upon grounds which make the slave a Depend upon it, it is no light matter to word, being the final ground of it. deny the common brotherhood of hu-

the diversity of races are aware of. If the African is not of the same blood with ourselves, he has no lot nor part in the Gospel. The redemption of Jesus Christ extends only to those who are par-Himself. The ground of His right to rebut of a common nature. Had the humanity of Jesus been miraculously eren ted apart from connection with the huimpart to us his saving grace. No Chris-

tum man, therefore, can give any countenance to speculatious which traco the negro to any other parent but Adam. fend slavery upon the plea that the African is not of the same stock with ourselves, are aiming a fatal blow at the institution, by bringing it into conflict

m the religious sentiment against of authority exerted.
destroy it. When the question at I therefore take it, more than deductions from doubtful of in revupon any portion of the race. him the friendly greeting, Art alth, my brother? and stabled him the fifth rib. I am happy to say that

The effrontery and numitigated false- ence upon the records of our faith, and tolerating such a practice, proceeds on both have found their warmest advocates the assumption that such ministers are hood which is paraded at the head of care. Let us receive them as hone of our amplest powers belonging to a church Says this miserable traitor to truth same Redeemer, and the same everlagting more inherently church rulers, than New School

"The Southern General Assembly hav. among our apostate brethren are driv. and if need be to the exclusion of all ing virtually decided that the African en thus to the necesity of l'alse witnesses participation of authority by them; it is they not have sense enough, if they true and serintural basis. Thus con- learn are all the aburdless in the region to the free and to set the whole subject upon its of radicalism; and so, as far as I could derstand that their course was not unsembly, as bound by its relationship, agree uot together, yet at least not to sidered, nothing is more clear, than that The minister of the rebellious South, and sho had now ernment." In concert with all other

son, that the body elaiming to he the word of God. Now, every intelligent Preshyterian ington is a body made up in large part was made for the church, not the church insane. The Head of the Rebellion was Church most efficiently aided the "Govwho has read the discussions of the if not in chief of ministers without pas-Memphis Assembly for himself, cannot toral charge—or as more popularly debut be aware that every assertion of this signated "Dead Heads." That therefore but preachers and elders are alike, and a slave; attached, and sold to satisfy a stroy. These things being of course the ests of man were in peril. It poured a (it is no use to minee terms with such strict application of the principles of given by the ascending Saviour to the men.) The Southern Assembly never Presbyterianism would have no right to isters of the word become a close corpodecided any such thing, but exactly the rule as members of church courts. If contrary! Nor did Southern Presbyteri- any one has been of the impression that large been reserved any such thing as is here attributed to so charitably says of his Southern and them. The poor creature who makes Border State hrethren-"to serve a pur- they continue to he helpers of the joy of Louisville, and they led into the falsetimes of the present controversy. In his function heing to teach the world the of his written before the war; which inbe. It was nevertheless extremely pop. repellion! To arms! to arms! Thouhood by the New York Observer before great speech before the Synod of Phil- religion of Jesus, and their less importhem. For any intelligent man must adelphiaiu October 1843, entitled "Pres-Assembly, directly and explicitly recog- but a Commonwealth" — Dr. R. J. Breck- sentatives of Christ's people, in Christ's forget all that, and by editing a rather solicited to publish it. nizes the lact, that the gospel can make enridge as will be seen from the follow- name, exercise over them? ing extracts makes sad havoe among the principles on which the present bogus teaching and ruling elders selected by

extract from what the Assembly did preach and administer ordinances that ters without charge, who, it may be, seen in any other order of men, to pro-Resolved, That whilst nothing in our rule; but it is because they are ordained and who presume to exercise the powers standards or in the word of God prohibits church rulers as well as church teachers, of government over ministers, elders, to be understood as admitting that these difficulty arises in the general structure of society and from providential causes plication in the Church of this abstract onymous, as the Scriptures every where from each other—One is a hierarchy sembly recommends that wherever a of the word exercise spiritual jurisdic-

courts, is merely a ministerial and de- the very prophet who in the face of ees of men-a power therefore not ah- subscribed the evidence, and called witable to call us brethren before lie can and again, that its whole forec is spent houses, and fields, and vineyards would upon those only who are voluntarily the | be possessed again in the land of Israel. If he is not descended from Adam, he are the same flesh and blood with alike teach us that such part of God but is a hierarchy which are has not the same tlesh and blood with alike teach us, that such powers can of God, but is a hierarchy-which my lesus and is therefore excluded from the never be exercised except by officers soul abhors; and I will meekly, I trust, sibility of salvation. Those who de bearing a double relation to God and to but yet resolutely deny that the Synod utsent of God's people, that every spiritual great men who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them—as he that any sen ment who conspire with them who conspire with the ment who conspired who conspired with the ment who conspired who conspire

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In t and according to our Constitution, against their fold and distribution, and according to our Constitution, and according to the protesta temporale, and according to the general principles | Let the General Assembly of the church, pleasure of the carnage, and trample on "Government." Whether the several suberdinates, having better idea of the church, pleasure of th phenomena. Nothing but the Word of Reformed church in her purest day—
for our sins, adjudge for a hierarchy and against a commonwealth; and while ministers not only do not compose Pres. and against a commonwealth; and while of in revision of the race. In ministers not only do noteompose Pres. and against a commonwealth; and while are represented the adoption of the proper by teries or other church courts, by vir. I must respect even the errors of that all risk. There were the noble Northern deed, the Religious appears, at times, to gion, secured the adoption of the proper by teries or other church courts, by vir. pon such eouditions, is such tue of their office as ministers; but in a venerable court, I will set my poor name people, the vanquished South, a gallant be subordinate. But it is certain that course. The "Government" employed Pope quit Rome. In his address, a few dayery as Joab to Amasa, who settled church state they are not, in strict against its adjudication, and let posteri- and emancipated race, the great God the departments must support one and thousands of clergymen, who having no days ago, he said the Soverelly greating day. right entitled even to appear in them as ty decide betwixt us. constituent members, except as they are will be may find room for similar extracts that had been done, as every one could support the other departments; and to "better their circumstances," were dark in the wide world. Forty five Pon siftly has been done, as every one could support the other departments; and to "better their circumstances," were the litth no. I am happy to say that special support the other departments; and the not sprung from next week from Dr. B.'s other speech, it They were not invented to jind. They were not invented to jind. They are the offsprings of infielding the properties. They are the offsprings of infielding the properties of the particular churches which next week from Dr. B.'s other speech, infer for himself, from the success which never set their foot in it, and if it happened to "better their country. The may be derived from a contrary practice" (Ordination not a Charm" to better their cremmstances, were next week from Dr. B.'s other speech, infer for himself, from the success which never set their foot in it, and if it happened to the properties of the particular churches which next week from Dr. B.'s other speech, infer for himself, from the success which never set their foot in it, and if it happened to the properties of the particular churches which next week from Dr. B.'s other speech, infer for himself, from the success which never set their foot in it, and if it happened to the properties of the particular churches which next week from Dr. B.'s other speech, infer for himself, from the success which never set their foot in it, and if it happened to the properties of the particular churches which next week from Dr. B.'s other speech, infer for himself, from the success which infer for himself, fr art of the process by which science in our church, allowing ministers as such, of falsehood; and it is idle to mere fact of that practice; and that far a mixture and faithful. It has "stood by" the of the community would carry disorder into falsehood; and it is idle to merc faet of that practice; and that far, a witty Scotch advocate, to read a bomthe responsibility of the doetrine in the past and existing condition of the bastic book on a good subject, saying, s, as to load them with the guilt of church, might appeal to the sound dis- "Don't you like to expatiate in that

both have found their warmest advocates the assumption that such ministers are among the opponents of slavery. Our at least engaged in the cure of souls, Let us see to it that we give our revilers forced by a latal act of the Assembly, no handle against us, above all, that we which not only places every minister the people generally in good circumbrethren whom he has scattered among us, and entrusted to our guardian-ship and amplest nowers belonging to a church bone and hof our desh. Let us recognize them is having the same Father, the right, that men of this description are the Metho those whose sole duty it is to rule, and lies. If Caiaphas and the Chief Priests that they may rule independently of them did true and scriptural basis. Thus con- learn, are all the churches in the region. observed. Eugland had covertly favored gave instruction and advice to the "Govof the particular churches; and to assert kindly, but .c. a citrant; he was nothing which fell from the preach it ealled upon the other departments to negroes to be not only of a different origin and race from us, but without sonls; Br. R. J. Brecklurldge on "Bend Heads." the contrary is to contend for a governwas howeve. carried along with the curer calculated to make any of the audience "crush the rebellion." In 1862, our said by any other than by pro-slavery refer to the fact brought out in the com-

Synod of Kentucky which met at Lex- The government of the church ol God knows that during these last years Gov- country, and the Empress Carlotta was ment to crush force by force." The the Lamb, not placed as lords over her. body of his redeemed. Shall the minnot being, if we dare credit the last As sembly, even memhers of it? Or shall tant ollice to join with those whose

Are our congregations to look for direction to Presbyteries composed of Presbyteries and Synod of Kentucky themselves, participating in all their church states are immeasurably distant

tion simply and exclusively because they are Elders themselves, upon what ground are Elders themselves, upon what ground are the suppression of the revolutionary the land of slavery; and "wo to the my conscience, to be told that the con which they assure the suppression of the revolutionary the land of slavery; and "wo to the my conscience, to be told that the con which they assure the suppression of the revolutionary the land of slavery; and "wo to the my conscience, to be told that the con which they assure the suppression of the revolutionary the land of slavery; and the rest and schismatical teaching set forth in a man that withholdeth his sword from effect of the action taken by the Bession soever the notion may have arisen that struction which is to work this destructhey are in any way or to any degree tive change, was adopted by a great they are in any way or to any degree more competent to rule than other elders majority of the Assembly; that it is ap. rians might fairly in the level are t -it is utterly untenable. And seeing it has proved by the leading men and institutions trabid of all, oth the have had icism the more infamous, is the fact, that preachers as such, can have no re- isters have been consulted and have men of the extremest pro-slavery views, rive that power from the fact that they diary, and the penalties of a church dis are elders. Presbyters; the very fact turber. It does not remove from my which so palpably contradicts this false- upon which ruling elders rest theirs. path one ray of light, nor shake in my The question now arises, Have we, as must be Pastor of such or such a church to ing forms. I have borne much in the t people and a State, discharged our duty give him any power in it; and he must service of this church; I am willing to to our slaves? Is there not reason to apple belong to such or such an Assembly to endure more. I have stood for the truth, upon grounds which make the slave a different kind of being from his master? his office as elder, not as minister of the can; make the danger to me and to the by majorities and sheer force. church as imminent as the most cont-These distinctions are impregnably dent of those against me can desire- or the power of the church and of all its king of Babylon beleagured Jerusalem. over the souls, the minds, the conscient of the field that was in Anathoth, and followers of Christ, and through their Sir, I will take courage from this sublime ner is to he saved. own act fellow-eitizens with the saints, example. Let this Synod say the church the household of faith: it is by the au. ters God's truth. Let the great institu. minister. Her la composition care the Synod is below the "Government." ances." thority of God, but it is also by the con- tions which rule the church-and the fully prepared, hich made it impossi- It is the duty of the inferior power to The Government, chiefly by one of with the dearest doctrines of the gospel. officer is to be appointed and every act sert with one accord, that we are a hierarehy and not a free commonwealth: of the case as understood by the purest if such be the will of God, angry at us the hated enemy, dead and dying, all departments of the Government are ex
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gether. He had a rich man in his con- ends in establishing Maximilian in Mex- eminent Christian peacemaker, R. J. to be a Christian; he is known to be a and God-fearing Northern people. This to do the work of slaughter. It promised poor weekly political paper became the paid advocate of all the reigning meas-

The Methodist incumbent took about feelings, efforts, and wants, and distinct. the same course that all Methodists have It is not because our ministers of the ly acquainted with their whole estate? taken; but at the same time excrted him- The Synod of Pittsburg and its Resolu-Or are they to be ruled by three uinis self with an energy which I have never they are invested with the power of have forsaken their covenanted calling, duce revivals of religion. I do not wish truly revivals of

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For the Free Christian Commonwealth

ing resolution the introduction into the gospel ministry that they hold and may exercise juristhe Covernment in her efforts to supthe Covernment in her efforts to supextinction of slavery, and called upon any "neighboring minister"—a master of only qualified persons of any race. Yet diction. Preacher and Ruler are the difficulty arises in the general structure furthest possible from being synonymous Sir, it cannot be denied that these two Court Centeral Assembly, the the glorions consummation." The whole wited by the Session of the first? and should restrain the apon the Church of this abstract the Church of this abstract the lolding this view, the Assembly signs of the Church; and we do hereby approve of, the glorions consummation. The whole the glorions consummation the glorions consummation. The whole the glorions consummation that the glorions consummation that the glorions consummation the glorions consummation the glorions consummation that the glorions consummation the glorions consummation the glorions consummation that glorions consummation that the glorions consummation For my part, there is but one course ture of lungs and he lt put man- and will support, her deliverances for —exclaimed, "God has called us to rid does not Moderate?

like the Baptist referred to above, about the nature, functions, and relations of mine the political questions which are Session was bound to take cognizance of that in connection with it he should lation to such Assemblies that can give acceded to it. It does not deter me, to projecting the Church. The language of the reso- now before the country. It can decide the ceelesiastical questions which have cite Dr. Thornwell's sermon-a speci- them any power to rule, but must de- be threatened noith the pains of an incen- orbit of polities, but with the pains of an incen- orbit of polities are orbit of polities, but with the pains of an incen- orbit of polities are orbit or ingrained principle, a corolling belief, Church and the Stato: the Synod is re- of robels, the necessity of guaranties the Synod, and "to concert the best a Puritanic inheritance, the main article lated to the Assembly; and the Synod, from the South, the "basis of represent measures for promoting the spiritual hood. For compare the foregoing stateNo man has the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and leading feature of the right to rule as minisheart one firm resolve, to have predicted and resolve and resolve and resolve as minisheart one firm resolve and resolve ment with the following which he cites ter at large, even though he he both teaching and ruling elder, as all admit; but he forc me in the most distinct and appall- it is their mission to in new e Common- the connection existing hetween the decide whether Congress is not bound, jurisdiction of all that it sought to dewealths, root out abuses, secomplish re- Church and the State, is a very intimate by the "interests of freedom and hu- eide. forms, model society after heir own no- one. The connection between the Syn- manity," as well as by pledges and oaths, The propriety of the action is seeu in give him any power there; his member- when fewer stood by me, than I can tions, overturn and train plout every- od and the Assembly is confessedly inship and not his right to preach being count to-day. Make this cause as des- thing that opposes their plans, and es- timate. The connection between the Southern States into "districts," and to tain the doctrines and principles of Presthe immediate ground of his power, and, perate as you please, as degraded as you tablish among us a kingdom of heaven, Synod and the "Government" appears reduce the Southern people to everlasto be of the same nature. The connecting bondage. It can decide whether selves or the people under their charge, Dr. Chalmers has a noble sermon de- tion of the whole Church with the State, Congress or the President is to be sus. to he led off from the old paths, after nust be distinguished by the very nature and disgraver than flippant speculators about tribution of church power. It is held dread; and still I will take the risk, and affection," in which he itsists on the lt appears, indeed, that the Synod, As. ereise its right. Nay, the Assembly must constitutional and unseriptural ordinary of the next the nex with a universal consent among at us that meet the peril. When the army of the power of love to the Saviour in cleansing sembly, and "Government," are powers do it. "Christian patriotism" requires sembly, and "Government," are powers do it. "Christian patriotism" requires sembly, and "Government," are powers do it. "Christian patriotism" requires sembly, and "Government," are powers do it. 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They ground of His right to respect to the real system. moreover that it is a power strictly and the wicked city, paid down with such acelamation, by an apostate a whole. The whole is the "('hristian peril. Matters quite as serious and daudeem is the participation, not of a like, exclusively moral, to be exercised only in the very courts of his prison, the price ministry, has driven ('hrist's gospel out State.'

The government of the State gerous as secession and war, agitate the ministry, has driven ('hrist's gospel out State.'

The government of the State gerous as secession and war, agitate the ministry, has driven ('hrist's gospel out State.' of the churches, or when it is heard it is comprises many departments—the Ex- American people. Other Churches have solute in us—hut in God only—and to nesses, and with all precision and for- so feeble, the gold is so mixed with the ecutive, the Legislative, the Judicial, already spoken. Let not our Church be have been precisely similar to ours, He be exercised by us, simply as a spiritual mality redeemed the spot, it may be, on iron and elay, that it is rather rare to the Military, and the Religious. The a whit behind the most loyal. Let our which the victorious could not recognize the formula of the Military and the Religious. could not, according to the Scripture, trust and upon the authority of Christ, which the victorious army of the Challing to the Scripture, trust and upon the authority of Christ, which the victorious army of the Challing the Session, but for all the members of the Scripture, trust and upon the authority of Christ, which the victorious army of the Session, but for all the members of the Scripture, trust and upon the authority of Christ, which the victorious army of the Session, but for all the members of the Scripture, trust and upon the authority of Christ, which the victorious army of the Session, but for all the members of the Scripture of Christ, which the victorious army of the Scrip have been our Redeemer. He must be and by no means as an inherent power; deans was engamped: for he knew that tion is dependent on what he hears in able to call us brethren before He can and seemed and by no means as an inherent power; deans was engamped: for he knew that tion is dependent on what he hears in patriotic course. Looking at the signs would be call us brethren before He can and seemed for he knew that tion is dependent on what he hears in patriotic course. Looking at the signs was engamped: for he knew that tion is dependent on what he hears in patriotic course. sermons, able to state plainly how a sin- longs to the Religious department. In of the times- the certain triumph of the

the Presbyterian Church, as well as in radicals-let it declare for Congress, determined to "adhere to the Gurley Of all seasons, the Fast Day, was the others, the principle of subordination the dissolution of the Union, and the resolutions." there is a way open for ties. I had the opportunity ou the Fast the "Supreme Court." The Synod is eur Synod, no doubt, will "stand by" tion of the Session, and form themselves Day in 1865 of hearing a New School below the Assembly. At the same time, the Assembly and its "noble deliver- into another Church.

which Providence would use them. It ernment in 1861. It then acknowledged pray disloyally, were compelled to pray might with some be a puzzling question its "obligations to promote the integrity loyally, or not at all. It established whether they were more indebted to of these United States," and promised test oaths, by which the Church, as well Wo find in the "Exotic" of January offence has been, that in some instances whether they were more indebted to offence has been, that in some instances we have accepted and converted into a stheir main work. But now, when a cheerful town of these United States," and promised the states, as their main work. But now, when a cheerful town of the whole accepted and converted into a surrounding country is heautiful and the conclusions of this vain deceit.

The perhaps the most unmittigated falsehood plea, the conclusions of this vain deceit. The conclusions of the Assembly, the conclusions of the Assembly them. port to the "central administration." tors, and prevent them from preaching of the season, coupled with a citation no handle against us, above all, that we make not God our exemy. Let us not make not God our exemy. Let us not make not God our exemy. Let us not simply as a minister, and in total disrestance. The town is neat and pleasant make not God our exemy. Let us not make not God our exemy. Let us not make not God our exemy. Let us not simply as a minister, one also as the "supreme court" in one section of the Religious department, kindly set take charge of ecclesiastical bodies, and sented by honored, and who is every way amiable, tled, for the "Government" and the see that no disloyal man should obtain but he is sincerely political. The dis- people, a great number of political ques- a seat, to the seandal of a loyal Church, llites, courso was altogether a rare morecau tions. It determined the nature of our and the injury of the Christian state. atho- for the morbid appetite of a demoralized governmental system. It decided who The military department supported the who people. The exordium denounced the was the lawful Casar. It decided that religious department. against the Southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, should high time to recur to first principles, mentioned, are a southern Church, and the southern Church, and the southern Church high time to recur to first principles and the southern Church high time to recur to first principles.

who had not come up to the standard of from the Federal Union was a "most own the rule of the whole church is lawfully appears di this course her own troubles (Fenianism) There branches of the Religious department, in holy horror, "passing strange!" he We have frequently had oceasion to ment which is irresponsible, iucomperent and after some time dismissed altomittee's report of the Synod at Hendermittee's report of the Synod at Hendermittee Government Stocks. And every one on his way to the sea, to escape from the soleum duty of the National Governthe gospel. This same rich man was re- in prison, and living on the bounty of ernment" in the discharge of this great paragraph is an unmitigated false hood— they really represent nobody, and in judgments of the Almighty on all who torrent of curses on the rehels. It call—to, had "simply left the ('hurch." here or there. This rich man is reputed oppose or meddle with the noble, pious, ed for a sword, unsheathed and whetted, ration, self-perpetuated—and in effect Baptist, and a violent-supporter of all last is my own inference, but an infer- eternal honor, and some greenbacks (the ans or Southern Christians ever say this theory has been devised as Dr. Hodge only by an undefined dominion over itmade unavoidable. The Campbellite preacher, like many of made unavoidable. The Campbellite preacher, like many of made unavoidable. his order, considers himself to have the leonld not but regard from my stand- every man who would go forth and batgilt of writing, and has been exercising point as a perfect carnival of the pas. tle for the Union, and-the negro. In a the statement, has evidently been led pose," they will find ou examination. instead of lords over the consciences of that gilt for many years. A friend drew sions, and as opposite to the gospel of word, almost every pulpit in the land into it by the falsehoods of the "Exotic," that it has been urged long before the Christ our Saviour, as anything could resounded with the cry "Down with the with it, such as our Standards provide resounded with the cry "Down with the with it, such as our Standards provide resounded with the cry "Down with the cry " dicated a very fair conception of the ular, so much so, that by request it was sands, listening to the trumpet of the special duty it is to rule, in the gentle sphere of the Church, and the duties of repeated at another church, and I un- loyal gospel, and fired by "Christian of the Session, and perceive that the action of the Southern byterian Government not a hierarchy and divided authority, which the represented to derstood that the preacher was urgently patriotism," rushed to the field of battle. Our General Assembly; we can say, invitation. The acts of the Session are How long is the Sauetuary to be pro- "stood by" the "Government" from first no more vitiated by inviting Mr. Breck faned, and the people deceived by these to last, serving it with the utmost zeal to preside, than hy inviting Mr. Mcand energy. In 1864, the Assembly Knight and it cannot reasonably be formally adopted the "declared policy" construed as any want of courtesy to of the President. It listened to the voice of Abraham Lincoln as to the voice of to he present. The Synod of Pittsburg, as was stated God. It regarded Abraham's proclamain a former article, adopted the follow. tion as the decree of Heaven. It gave to himself such importance, when the its whole voice and influence in favor relation which he sustains at any time "As this Synod has always stood by of the immediate, violent, and bloody to the Session, is precisely that which

arise from temporary excitement. It The Synod of Pittsburgh has performed ed the service rendered by the Church. the shape of Peter's pence, since Septemwas the whole war over again; every this duty. It "stands by" the General President Lincoln, indeed, rather de- ber last. The Pope has written an auto over the battle-field without any person- actly "co-ordinate," is not clear. In- promote religion, especially loyal reli- Berlin. looking down with approhation on all other. The Religious department must "visible means of support" or wishing of Rome, he did not make a leap in the attended it all. And then to linish the Church has done its duty. The Pres- "Government" transferred houses of pened to the forty-sixth they would neipicture, with a few last touches of New byterian branch in particular, has been worship from disloyal, to loyal portions ther be amazed nor atraid. To shift the brought to Plymouth Rock, at which 'Government." The Synod of Pittsburg ters from their pulpits, when it was as- every Christian land. they could not fail to read with all clear. has "stood by" the "Government." Tho certained that they preached a disloyal Christian statesmen in Europe, or if withthe elect people, and the vast affairs in "Government." It stood by the Gov- so that men who had been accustomed to calamity to reach their own homes.

For the Free Christian Commonwealth Banville.

This action has amazed the strategie adherents to the Gurley resolutious. Mr. this locality, a chord in unison is struck, is raised. Mr. McKnight made a speech the action null and void, "because Mr. Breck presided, who was not a member of Transylvania Presbytery." He alfirms the only result of the action to be, that the four elders who were met in Session, and passed the paper referred

As Mr. McKnight gives himself but little trouble to know what the "Book" teaches, it is not to be expected he should understand much about Presby First Church, Danville. He is not the for, or contemplate. He is merely iu-Mr. McKnight, should be fail or refuse .

Upon what principle can he arrogate

are apparent.

The General Assembly has, of course, As the judicatory of the Church, This resolution, if I mistake not, in- a clear right-as clear as that which has "charged with maintaining the spiritual And what makes the laisencod of this tremendons panderer to Northern fanatis in the hands of Assemblies, it follows been proved already that all church; that learned civilians hesitation and qualms a the beginning, if I mistake uot, inbeen proved already that all church rule is in the hands of Assemblies, it follows pronounce it correct; that foreign minlike the Bantist referred to allows a clear as that which has government of the congregation," the

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" He found them Sleeping for Sorrow." Danger to the Church from the Apathy that follows Distress.

We read with amazement in the sad story of Gethsemane, that notwithstand- late. iug the exciting events of "that dark and doleful night," even the confidential disciples whom Jesus selected to witness the agony of his conflict with the powers of darkness and testify it to his watch with him one hour." One only of the Evangelists, "Luke, the beloved Physician," true to the instincts of his profession, though speaking as he ethical religionism follows the New Eng- We have never troubled ourselves is moved by the Holy Ghost-assigns the eause of their drowsiness. "He found them sleeping for sorrow," says Luke, just as also, in the true spirit of Presbyterianism. Says this writer: a Physician, he describes the sweat of Jesus, in the agony, by its analogy with something so familiar in his profession, "His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground."

At first reading, this prefessional explanation of the cause of the apathy ol the disciples under the exciting scenes, puzzles us, perhaps, not less than the fact which it explains. We ask in surprise-How could these earnest, confidential disciples sleep under such cir eumstances? And in uot le-s surprise, How could they sleep for sorrow?seeing that intense sorrow ordinarily has its aggravation in preventing the excited sufferer from a brief alleviation of the mental anguish in the oblivion of

And yet if we notice the effects of great sorrow upon minds whose thought has not yet developed clearly and fully the causes of the sorrow, or traced out the results which must flow from the affliction that produces it, these effects will be found to be just those which the Evangelist describes in the case of these disciples. While sleep forsakes the eyes of the widowed mother, as she "sits gazing in terrible loneliness upon the corpse, "weeping herself to stone," the sorrow-stricken children around her, excited and bewildered with the vague impression of a calamity whose nature and results they cannot comprehendare soon "found sleeping for sorrow." It was, doubtless, this view of their case that led Jesus to say, "the spirit truly ted un is willing but the flesh is weak."

And just so in the spiritual li years have pastors been shocked at such seems no longer of any use to pray." a covenant-keeping Saviour.

From our position, at the centre of an effort for the relief of the suffering and poor of Christ's household, we, perhaps, are compelled to notice more of the evidences of apathy among Christ's people than others. But the impression grows upon us, day by day, that the greatest danger that now threatens the Church and individual Christians in many sections, arises from the apparent plied to God's forgiveness for Christ's remedy whereofapathy which seems to succeed the extraordinary and long continued tension

sake overturn the very foundation of the Commonwealth of Kentucky; That so far as respects all the powers vested by ment and suffering which has now measurably passed away. And just now when the Master's cause most specially needs rebuked; and which our Church rebuthe Master's cause most specially needs their watchful sympathy, the disciples ked in 1837, in condemning the New tucky, computing all as members who those who once were ardent in their at- which presented God as sitting on the Kentucky Synod of the Presbyterian ger could say—"Though I die with thee the elevation of the race in the spirit of standing said division, all said members yet will I not lorsake thee," as il' ex- a New England "school marm"? hausted under the long continued ex- According to the theory of this writer tute a minority, shall have the right of eitement and darkness, are now found in the Banner, and the ethical religiondeclared the legal Synod, in all questions struggle.

Christless fanaticism in view of this sleep | should not have run—"His Lord first of the Presbyterian Church of the United "Behold the proof of their hypocrisy or and after that the ungrateful wretch Kentucky Synod, shall have no effect their delusion." Jesus, though best en- played the shylock toward his unfortu- upon the rights of the body composed of ogetically-"The spirit truly is willing | should have run on this wise. His lord and legal rights aforesaid. people of Christ and the Churches of vant and forgive the hundred pence he directly the same results which the only recognize the Synod as it was and is, officer in our legislative halls, by the mo-

The Ethleal Spirit generated by the

ticular ability, is yet significant as showing how inevitably the New England

to subscribe. I opened and began to read. The first item that met my eye, lead. The first item that met my eye, lead to read the principles involved as far more important than the property.

In the escend place we have an abiding they determined to seek another ground to order, but individual to the Lexington Synod, nothing being they determined to seek another ground to order, but individual to the Lexington Synod, nothing being vas an editorial article on the theme Forgiveness—the Duty and Conditions.

nothing to do with the condition on which orgiveness is to be granted. It is an athe "and if he repent," as the condition of forgiveness. The only feature of the moral code that is abrogated in this respect, i evil to our enemies, we are to cherish a guilt of a wrong and sinful act, we cannot changed in the wrong. It would be tolerating guilt and sin without any concious sense of disapprobation, which is a whole property controversy. thing impossible, save in the unregenera-

Now, every well instructed evangelias the brother repents—but as God for posed Christ's sake hath forgiven. Suppose An Act concerning the Synod of the Pres God had arranged to forgive only as you byterian Church in Kentucky. insist upon arranging for the forgiveness ion or schism in the Synod of the Prestry of your brother, when you repent prop-terian Church in Kentucky, and each o erly, sufficiently? Who then would be the parts of said division claim to be the saved? Did God wait till you repented? only Kentucky Synod of said Church, and as such, each claim the exclusive Or was it God that "granted repentance | control of the election of trustees of Cenunto life?" Does not this theory, aplonging to the Kentucky Synod. For of feeling during the period of exeite- in the soul that very same narrow bar- law in the Synod of Kentucky over and are found sleeping for sorrow. Even England moral government theories were members at and before said division, tachment, and in the midst of real dan. throne, and conducting his scheme for Church.

sus spake in answer to Peter's inquiry, or legal rights.

Free Christian Common Cealth dark night of sorrow, may speedily thousand talents." But not so. His much litigation as the law now stands and leave the question of membership to sustained by the contractive votes of all papers in the West, or they should be arouse. The gleam of the torches of Judas and his band may soon be discovered of conditions; and rebuked the selfishamong the olive trees. The spiritual ness and ingratitude that could be stire ent light, we should be very glad to see the Presbyteries furnished to the last rule, when the body is to be resolved It must be from the West or nowh in amoug the olive trees. The spiritual ness and ingratitude that could be still entried to the last of the body is 10 for resolved at mosphere is already very heavy. Intended the bill pass It will, beyond doubt.

General Assembly, and printed in the bill pass It will, beyond doubt. Minutes of the hospital pass It will, beyond doubt. The love of many waxes are exhibition of merey. The lesson to save a various proceed that he bill pass It will, beyond doubt. The love of many waxes are exhibition of merey. The lesson to save a various proceed to now have the bill pass It will, beyond doubt. The love of many waxes are exhibition of merey. The lesson to save a various proceed to the last of the bill pass It will, beyond doubt. The bill pass It will, beyond doubt. The love of many waxes are exhibition of merey. The lesson to save a various proceed to the last of the bill pass It will, beyond doubt. cold. Zeal for the truth of Christwanes. Peter is "How often—thou askest?" strife, and bitterness of leeling among the names Dr. R. J. Breckinridge said the chair, even if he were removable at the chair, ev All this while we "are sleeping for sor- Why, Peter, the fact that thou eanst our people, and do at once that justice he protested against this whole procedure. the pleasure of the Commissioners, would ern before they give them support The row"! Soon the Saviour may say "sleep ask such a question shows that thou to all which must at last be done, by . Dr. E. P. Humphrey, in justification of the seem to have been unconstitutional ou now and take your rest;" the golden hast not yet properly appreciated the the courts of the Commonwealth. moment is passed: rousing now is too generous love of God to thee a sinner?

If, however, it shall appear that such meeting of the Synod, the Stated Clerk special legislation unsettles any just special legislation unsettles and just special legislation unsettles are just special legislation unsettles and just special legislation unsettles are just special legislation unsettles and just special legislation unsettles are just special legislation the Ethleal Spirit generated by the lacobin theories of the Church.

We find in the Presbyterian Bauner,

The Was! what a gospel to principle of church property, or gives any body, or any party, that which does not belong to their members."

The Moderator. He was the mechanical its number of square inches. The big of the names of their members."

The Moderator decided that the Stated Clerk to his rule—not he to theirs. They were general thing, in nature, beyond a complete with the order, as it chosen by the authority of his mandate, and till its number of square inches. The big of the names of their members."

The Moderator decided that the Stated Clerk to his rule—not he to theirs. They were general thing, in nature, beyond a complete with the order, as it chosen by the authority of his mandate, and till its number of square inches. The big instrument of their organization: and till its number of square inches. The big of the names of their members."

The Moderator decided that the Stated Clerk had not complied with the order, as it chosen by the authority of his mandate, and the complete instrument of their organization: and till its number of square inches. The big instrument of their organization: and till its number of square inches. The big instrument of their organization: and till its number of square inches. The big instrument of their organization: and till its number of square inches. The big instrument of their organization: and till its number of square inches. The big instrument of their organization: and till its number of square inches. The big instrument of their organization: and till its number of square inches. of January 9th, an essay on Forgiveness, submits to my dogmas about his guilt, glad to see it defeated. The church was within his personal knowledge that and with the power of self-organization, tain size, value decreases. Papers, like Church, fell asleep, and "could not of the North-Western Presbyterian, result of wrong theories to practical

The Property Question in the Synod of Mossacher

he unmerciful, the unbenevolent listead confound our theory of the unity of the od was null and void, until they organquality of their actions. Forgiveness supposes guilt. There is no room for its ex. ercise unless there is guilt, If our minds rary hardship and injustice. But we therefore, are properly affected with the have been persuaded from the first that, er upon the flimsey after-thought, it oebanish the feeling consequent thereto on a calm investigation of the whole curs to us to lay before our readers the while the offender is impenitent and un matter by wise and disinterested judges, precise history of what was done, from there could be but one result to the the Minutes of Synod, prepared on the

orders a division of the use of property to see that it accorded with the testimoin ease of ta division of the congrega ny of " eye and car witnesses -- and car Christian must perceive that the tion there would be some ann e e; which we presume even the members of paragraphs from Judge Gibson's decis While the "many afflictions of the germs of the whole theory of an ethical since the statute seems to put it the the apostate body will hardly have the ion, and see how precisely Moderator sightcome" do in the case of the fully righteous' do, in the case of the fully developed christian experience, but developed christian experience, but as against an evangelical religion—power of any unprincipled faction, at effron ery to dispute the general accumpower of any unprincipled faction, at effron ery to dispute the general accumpower of any unprincipled faction, at effron ery to dispute the general accumpower of any unprincipled faction, at effron ery to dispute the general accumpower of any unprincipled faction, at effron ery to dispute the general accumpower of any unprincipled faction, at effort ery to dispute the general accumpower of any unprincipled faction, at effron ery to dispute the general accumpower of any unprincipled faction and the statute seems to put the approximate the approxi rouse the spirit more and more to watch and pray and advance it heavenward, in these criticisms upon the North- West. these afflictions often have the affect upon renders the property in proportion to their num
the impossorby developed (the opinion of the o of sinking the spirit, first into doubt theory of a conditional forgiveness; and be pronounced unconstitutional by the preme (ourt, in the famous "Presbyteand despondency, and then into spiritual this arrogant assumption of a right to courts, on the ground that it is a legis- rian Church case" in 1838. It will be drowsiness and utterapathy. How often settle the quostion of guilt for other lative interference with vested rights. remembered that the ground taken by ent, would require the presentation of a peoples's consciences, every well in- Since those who contributed to acquire the New School was precisely that taken structed Christian feels that this is not the property could not have intended it by the Kentucky apostasy now against utterances as these—"I have lost all the spirit of the gospel. Did this writer for the use of those who might thus Mr. B-eek—namely, that the organizamy religion, if ever I had auy." "It ever comprehend the force of the Apos- conspire against the very principles and tion of the body was vitiated by the astle's exhortation, "forgiving one anoth- purposes of the original donors. How- sumption by the Moderator of power to of the Moderator of the preceding session "What now has become of the doctrine er, even as God for Christ's sake hath ever this may be, it seems to have oc- organize the new body. And it will be tioned organize the new body. And it will be the righteous shall not be forsaken, nor creof God as dear children." For observe the Legislature on the subject might Gibson's decision before him at every who could be entitled to vote, including his seed beg bread?" Thus the very it is not as the ethical religion will have save both the people and the courts step (though we are told he had it not extremity of sorrow sinks some Christ- it-"Forgiving-that God may forgive much trouble by taking away from the ians into dull, desponding apathy; while you." But because God hath already foreign Jacobins the temptation to try, others a grandeur of faith and trust in schoe of his forgiving love, that will principles of Kentucky law on the subthe midst of darkness and calamity, prevent your hard dealing with your jeet of church property. Hence we find, ciples and proper mode of organizing which nobly attests the faithfulness of brother. Neither again is it as ethical among the proceedings of the Legislareligion will have it-"Forgive" as soon ture this week, the following bill pro-

of Synod, who since said division consti-

Beit further enacted, That any decision

We the late Apostasy land theories of the Sphere of the Church much about the property question aris- from the bearing asked Dr. Hill to assist him is that the decision of such questions as whenever the latter make a lodgment in out of the division of the Synod of willing to pl nt itself upon the ground by noting the names. The Moderator were prematurely pressed here, is proper what is going on in Kentucky, than in within the enclosures of evangelical Kentneky, though that has been the that the Syuod of Kentneky was ipso concurred in the statement. chief bug bear wherewith our Jacobins facto ed under the order of Assembly Routseconding the motion, that the House MESSES. Entrops: A copy of the "North have endeavored to frighted the people -the ground which, beyond doubt, Sustain the decision of the Moderator. Western Presbyterian," of recent date, came into submission. In the first place, we they interest of severe or partial ruling their Henderson meeting. But, all appearance of severe or partial ruling casion for its action sooner for though kind errand, as I suppose, of inviting me have regarded the principles involved during, their Henderson meeting. But, all appearance of severe or partial fuling In the second place, we have an abiding they determined to seek another ground to order, put the motion and take the action is not organic, but individual I faith that law must in the end prove to in the illegal constitution of the Synod vote, if there was evidence of general de- Dr. Mason's motion and appeal, though said and nothing being known, they read it through, and as I finished, this saying came to mind, "A straw shows which way the wind flows." I could not which way the wind flows." I could not having eigen and according the cerks and according for a test of the sense of those pression for a test of the sense of those pression for a test of the sense of those pression for a test of the sense of those pression for a test of the sense of those pression for though it is declared in the testing no further expression and therefore, the idea that juries and the representation for though it is declared in the twelfth chapter of the sense of those pression for though it is declared in the twelfth chapter of the very some much the twelfth chapter of the sense of those pression for though it is declared in the twelfth chapter of the sense of those pression.

I could not be a supposed it was all right! One clear that the twelfth chapter of the sense of those pression for though it is declared in the twelfth chapter of the sense of those pression for the sense of these pressions. help but think that it was pressing the doctrine of forgiveness, decidedly, into loctrine of forgiveness, decidedly, into property out of the hands of their own their Minu e to "make o history" of rater allowing no further interruptions, the case of those wayward Southern breth- people who have gathered it for their the event to suit the new ground pro- proceeded to call the roll, Dr. R. J. Breck- the capacity, consummated by enrollment, that the Apostles should "begin at Je ren, who, though guilty, expect to be forown religious uses, and give it into the posed to be taken, and publish an acand adhering to the General Assembly, part of the process of organization, but given, without any acknowledgment.—
lowever this may be, the article strikes lands of foreign Jacobins or their traime as unsound both in philosophy and the strikes the as unsound both in philosophy and the strikes the strikes and begin in New York, instead of item the call and torous allies who have been seeking the strikes to the strikes theology.

The animus of the article conveys the idea that lorgiveness among the men determined for the case of a Commissioner when the lorgiveness among the men ism of Kentucky, has always seemed to dred people who were present is palpamust be unconditional, absolutely. If unpoint. The cherishing of an unforgiving tained seriously. We anticipated, in- reliable, both for its suggestio falsi and to have his name eurolled? parit is of course wrong, but that has deed, that by the tricks of pettifoging, its suppressio veri. Their leaders have such as those attempted upon the Walgiven it out also that Mr Breek's proSynod of Kentucky. The Moderator said forget the golden precept—'Let all things them to take an intelligent and decided empt to confound the two things. That nut Street Church through the com- ceedings as Moderator, were so utterly if the brother did not desire his name to be done d cently and in order. But these thrist has abrogated the moral code so as plicity of the last General Assembly; and contrary to law and usage that no one al, is mere assumption. On this very from the prevalence of the popular cr- could pos, ibly have anticipated that he point we find him afterwards putting in ror in the minds of courts and juries, would take such a course. That on ac which, from the representations of par- count of his allegal and revolutionary tizan assailants of our system, is led to proceeding, the organization of Synof cherishing hatred and a desire to do several parts of the church under a con- ized with Mr McKee as Moderator. And penevolent love, and do them "good." stitutional league, with the Papal theory therefore they will attempt to make the But forgiveness has to do with the moral of a unity under an infallible head, civil courts believe that they are the Now by way of putting an extinguish-

> ground, at the time, (not a month after- Morrison was chosen Temporary Clerk Under the statute of Kentucky which ward) which was carefully scrutinized in mind at all) he could not have pro- by the Chair, but by the mover himself ceeded in more entire accordance with after which, the seceding party elected a already pronounced to be the true prin- its process of organization, by the choice the apostate brethren by surprise in the ease, it could only have been from their tanta matter as the decision of Judge of the Minutes of Synod—except the

Hender son, Ky., October 10th 1866. The Synod of Kentucky met, accor ling to adjournment, in the Presbyterian Chirch, Henderson, Ky., on Wednesday, October 10th, 1866, at 7 o'clock P. M., and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator, Rev. ROBERT L BRECK, from John 29-"Behold the Lamb of God, which aketh away the sin of the world,'

After the sermon, the Moderator pro-

eded to constitute the sessious of nod with prayer. The Stated Clerk ing directed to call the roll, proceeding ith it in an unnstal order and omitting he names of a r . majority of the mem-The constituent memraand church of the Synod Declarrdered by the Moderator, in the name of the Synod of Kentucky, to perform this duty which he again refused to do The Moderator then announced that he was charged | there was no colour of right in the adversleeping at the very crisis in the Church's ists of his class, that parable which Jewith the duty of directing all proceedings iness; that though the Synod was pres-A cold and soulless infidelity, or a "Lord how often shall I lorgive"? Best further enacted, finat any decision of the Accordance of the degradation of the offinoground for the offinoground for the degradation of the offinoground for the degradation of the offinoground for the offinoground for the degradation of the offinoground for ent, its members were unknown until the the decision of the Moderator, would be tion occurs as to duty in the premises. field they had no right to that build no not relieve himself by the submission to | cer at the call of a minority; nor could it of his disciples is ready to cry out— freely forgave the ten thousand talents, minority of said members is the true of preceedure. That, in the nature of the vote on a question put unofficially, and but of high expediency. Cau Western makes sore complaint that our paper ease, in view of the difficulties of any othe out of the usual course. To all question er course and according to our rules, the put by the established organ, it is the duty their delusion." Jesus, though best entitled to complain, says kindly and apoltitled to complain the complain the complaint to complain the complaint to complaint the complaint to complaint the Stated Clerk had refused to call it, and is supposed to have asscuted beforehand but the flesh is weak." Should not his finding that one of the servants owed We are not learned enough in the there was nothing it our Book making it to the result of the process pre established in our own locality naturally look to us public, how it comes to pass, very kindness and forbearauce kindle in one hundred peace to a fellow servant, law to auticipate what objections can continue the release was put upon of implied assent is certainly inapplicable of implied assent is certainly inapplicable. our hearts a godly sorrow? Should it and this fellow servant owed his Lord be raised to this bill; nor do we know him, he would proceed to call it himself. to a measure which, when justifiable even not win even these desponding and sor- ten thousand talents-ealled up the who is the author of it, nor what his That, as it was not competent for him to hy extreme necessity, is essentially revorowing disciples to rise out of their apa debtor and said-" Thou owest me ten special purpose was in offering it. But decide concerning the membership of the lutionary, and based on no pre-established Synod, as affected by anything that may process of ascertainment whatever. thy, to one more vigorous effort to enter thousand talents, but on condition that it seems to us to carry commou scuse have transpired in the recess of the body into his sorrow. God grant that the thou wilt be generous to thy fellow ser- and justice on its face; and to reach (it being a question not of organic action, as was done here, might it amounts to a necessity—it amounts

Chief Justice Gib. but as the Stated Clerk had refused to much that the Commissioners might pro-

Rev. Rr. Douglass moved, Rev. G. H. The Moderator decided that the motion the Moderator of the preceding session an Eastern paper, but did not know

tor enquired whether the brother desired

Dr. Matthews asked if the Moderator bodies, whether legislative or judicial, mentable to think, that many Western did not know him to be a member of the secular or ecclesiastical, are too prone to Presbyterians do not know enough of be enrolled, he was not known to the Syn- are merely instances of friegularity which stand; especially in reference to our lo-

The Moderator announced that the change a rule of positive enactment. It House was prepared to proceed to the seems then that an appeal from the de-election of officers.

cision of the Moderator did not lie; and

Kind reader—"suffer the word "ex

WHEREAS, the Stated Clerk, Rev. S. S. McRoberts has refused to call the roll of only by the action of the House, which rate people. Synod in the usual manner, for the organ- could not be had before its organization ization of the body, and has assumed to was complete, and in the meantime he of some of its constituent members, there- of the preceding Assembly, to put its or-

Resolved, That the Synod now proceed to the election of another Stated Clerk preceding one, it belonged to repeal it." instead of the said S. S. McRoberts. The motion was carried, and the Rev F. G. Strahan was elected Stated Clerk. On motion of Rev. Dr. Hill, Rev. R. Douglass was elected Moderator. Rev. Rober

Synod adjourned to meet to morrov oruing'at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer by the Moderator Now compare this with the following

"The division which, for purposes of and, to legitimate the separate organization of its rival, in contravention, as it minds. certainly was, of everything like precedvery urgent emergency. At the stated session, the parties assembled, without any ostensible division; and when the

of its Moderator for the session. the Synod. And if therefore he took the larity, it is urged that the constitutiona Moderator had refused an appeal to the own neglectful ignorance of so import roll the names of certain Commissioners who had been unconstitutionally severed session. It is conceded by the argument, Presbyteries by which those Commission Commissioners to notice; and that whatever implication of assent to the decision fused to speak out, about which it will be necessary to say something in the sequel, tion in the particular instance. It would

lution. And this leads to an inquiry into the constitutionality of the act of exif there were no colour of right in them, sary proceedings which were tounded on ing to them for the sake of argument, Church. The amount of his article their exclusion. But even if their title were clear, the refusal of an appeal from

"To apply it to an extreme case of in-

entertained previously; for our public Rev. S. R. Wilson offered the following that he incurred no penalty by the dis-notion: dlowance of it. The title of the exscind-

of objection? Is Judge Gibson no lon- sary, to get the means of paying for such ger authority under the new order?

For the Free Christian Commonwealth.

the present church crisis, is, to get the Church which is in danger. One body facts before the people. Until this is many members; all bound by mutual done there can be no intelligent action sympathy. You owe it to yoursell, it or true unity. All will not decide alike, you are only a miserable bachelor-you after the facts are before them; but there owe it to your children, if you are the will be more chance for similarity of head of a family-you owe it to the views, and every one will have more sat. whole brotherhood of believers, and these afflictions often have the affect upon the imperfectly developed Christian life of proof texts that seem to support the old School party, was certainly organized in obedience to the established order; sinking the spirit, first into doubt the content of th

In the writer's locality, two things in the present erisis. prevent many of our people from ascer- 2. You could not do a better thing. time and place for the opening of the taining the whole truth and from taking if gifted with sufficient means, than to a zealous interest in its vindication. see to it that no poor members of the organization of the whole had proceeded | One of them is, that, either they take no | Church shall be without this means of to a certain point, by the instrumentality religious paper, or take Eastern in pref- information and this help to duty. The erence to Western papers. Both these gospel is to be preached to the poor, that God will delend the right?" "That forgiven you. Be ye, therefore, follow- eurred to somebody that a simple act of seen that if Mr. Breek had kept Judge suddenly chosen, hy a minority of those secular paper no man can keep up with knowledge and zeal are to be promoted the exscinded Commissioners. The quest the history of his times or be prepared through such agencies as the Church tion on the motion to elect, was put, not to act well his part as a citizen. A good can command. There is no congregaagricultural sheet greatly helps the far | tion scarcely, where this means of great the same sorrow has but brought out in orgiven you. If you have had a true by pettifoggery, to evade the settled what the highest judicial authority has others a grandeur of faith and trust in scuse of his forgiving love, that will withdrew, leaving the other party to finish true of religious papers, in our religious who are able to afford it. true of religious papers, in our religious who are able to afford it. relations. This, whether there is a full | 3. If you will hear it, give the prel-"In justification of this apparent irregu- supply of ministerial effort or not, with- erence to this paper, above all others, out a preacher, such a paper helps to notwithstanding its short comings and Commissioners in attendance, from his decision, which had excluded from the it renders the work of the Church easier sons are intended. But here you find to both parties; gives more concert and the great questions agitated in the as it is alleged, from the Presbyterian more zeal-especially when there are Church thoroughly and boldly discus-Gibson We extract the lirst four pages connection by a vote of the preceding decisive movements going on in the sed-true and false Presbyterianism that if the Synods with the dependent Church as now. Considering the variety distinguished-the present duty of the of the information given, the real value people laid open-and considerations dissolved, the motion was one which the of it, and the exceeding cheapness with of infinite moment suggested, both to Moderator was not bound to put, or the which it is furnished, can a Christian direct and stimulate worthy action; be family, not in the most abject povorty, sides the fact, that no serious deficiency which ensued, might otherwise be de be said to live fairly up to their interests ean be alleged against it on the score of duced from the silence of those who re- and their obligations if they take no re- general church news enough. "Canligious paper? These are truths which sider what I say; and the Lord give thee there was no room for any such implica- have been often told, but none too often. understanding in all things" 2d Tim. 2:7. Another part of the cvil complained follow, also, that there was no pretence for the deposal of the Moderator, if in- of is, that some give the preference to deed such a thing could be legitimated Eastern above Western papers. Such tral Presbyterian of last week, the follow. by any eircnmstances, tor refusing an appeal from his exclusion of those who had are taken with their superior size, coning rather sharp rebuke of the arrogance not colour of title, and consequently, that tents, and cheapness—the latter in- of our "Exotie" neighbor in reply to what else might be reform, would be revo- ercased by the special premiums given silly harangue of over a column s to subscribers, Sewing Machines and the the injustice of the complaints o

all the above recommendations, the quesshould after all this be blaming the interests be promoted without Western committee or church, and age- 'Is patronage? Do not the werchants, we- candid? es, and other institutions, at our door, Gihbs, has been allowed to l properly rely on us for their prosperity? sion of what they know doe So do our Western religious papers, to them. "When thou saw The Expediency in the case is so great

Christ who have gone so far through the owell thee, I will forgive thee the ten courts must reach circuitously, after unaffected by anything not its own act, tiou and actual vote of a single member, Either there should be no religious means of saving society!

way to make them better is to patroni . course of the Stated Clerk, called attention to the 6th standing order of the Synbecause he had not derived his office from of January 9th, an essay on Forgiveness, pressed into the Rebel service, in review of the North-Western Presbyterian, which though uot marked by any parwhich the Clerk about the church only in the event of his absence at the opening of the session Corporeally present the Clerk had not applied for rolls to the Stated Clerks of Presbyteries.

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> After six years earnest and incessant "Many justances may doubtless be discussion of the great facts and the found among the minutes, of motions great issues before the Church, it is la rave passed set sil nie, and which cannot eal interests in Kentucky. "Let there

> hortation." Peradventure you should ed Commissioners could be determined be one of God's ignorant and inconside

1. Take a Western in preference to an himself the right of omitting the names was bound, as the executive instrument | Eastern religious paper-no matter what may be said in favor of the latter or dinance into execution; for to the actual Assembly, and not to the Moderator of the against the former. Inform yourself about the present controversics. It is What now becomes of the new ground worth while to deny yourself, if necesinformation. Don't tall below the standard of your duty, and the demands of the "Israel doth not know; my people doth not consider." is. 1:3. times, by indulging the idle dream that all will be right without your hearty and One of the difficulties meeting us in intelligent co-operation. It is your view of vows made and duties imposed

A SHARP REBUKE .- We find in the Cen like. Now, it can hardly be expected Southern papers concerning Zion Chine "The inquiry might be rested here for that Western papers should compete terian has, under this inquiry, desired with the Eastern in these respects. Grant- more than a column to the case of Zioi that the Freedman's Committee at Pit burg, after a full examination, wer su This is not to be decided by the finan and expressly relinquished their constants and that the General Assembly expres

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"The Associate Reformed Presbyterian." We have received the first number of this paper, published at Due West, South Carolina. It is edited by Rev. J. 1. Bonnor, for many years editor of the Due West Telescope It is the organ of the Synod which name it bears, audis under the complete control of that Synod We n ay be mistaken, but we think it was a mistake for the Synod to assume control may prepare their own thoughts conof the paper. It must cripple the editor, having always to speak in the name and by the authority of the Synod; and he must be possessed of more wisdom and prudence than ordinarily falls to the lot of man, if he can please all parties in the Syuod. We fancy we can see the difficulvies under which the editor labors iu all which he represents abundant success.

Lange's Commentaries and Dr. Schaff's Anglo-German Commentary Enterprise. | aid. LANGE ON MARK-VAN OOSTERZEE ON LUKE AND LECHLER ON THE ACTS-Volumes 2n and 4th of the seales, pp. 570 and

480 \$5 per volume. We regarded it as one of the few eucouraging signs of the times that tho intelligent and enterprising publishers, Messrs. C. Scribner & Co. N. Y., should have been willing to undertake the issue of this series of imperial volumes -- five to six hundred pages each-of Commontaries on the Scriptures. And we are glad to learn that the sale of five editions of the first volume (Lange on Matthew) already seems fully to justify their estimane of the public demand for addition al expositions of the word of God.

tary on the Holy Scriptures; and thereby cuable them to form some notion of what they will get for their money, should they order any one, or all, of the volumes, which many of them will probably do-from Mr. Davidson, Louisville.

Dr. Lange, Professor of Theology at the University of Bonn, has conceived of a Commentary on the eutire Scriptures which shall combine the work of soveral eminent men of the same goneral tolligent student must enjoy, by reason which Encyclopædias are made; the imparts to his own thoughts. whole to be under his own editorial supervision by way of giving unity of plan | ine it, we have found Dr. Leehler's Com to the work.

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Dr. Philip Schaff, again, by arrange-British and American critics.

y and must be received as such, Hence closures of the Covenant. ingh its criticism on the text will meet tions of the sacred text which would theories. The Rev. Eli B. Smith of Elizabethsice weuld startle Doddridge; and even January 14 1 . h szd to furnish them with opin- to Christ, with new devotion.

rectly into a sermon far ioned after the find in this Commentary what they are looking for.

We are free to say, however, that, considered as a book for students and miut inconsistent with the character of the paper, will isters, this is with us a recommendation. The English Commentaries, so far as they are homiletical seem to have been of "Signs of a Coming Theocracy." Let us, we'll pay them, and they'll pay you." 6 00. fashioned with a view too much to the those who have judged us to be mere The Rev. W. H. Harrison, D. D., pastor Advertisements exceeding one square, will be charged of topical preaching, which wo are disposed more and more to eschew the older we grow. I'reaching, as ordained by Christ in his Church, is such exposition of the inspired word as shall make it a living word in the minds and hearts of those who listen. In the nature of the ease therefore it should aim to found itself directly upon the Scriptures rather than upon the dogmas and reasonings of the Divinity books. And therefore we rejoice at the success of all such schemes as this of Drs. Lauge and Sohaff which propose to furnish facilities to ministers for founding their discourses directly upon paragraphs and sections of the inspired word. It is rather an advantage than a disadvantage that instead of in any portion of this footstool. True, was going on board, in the dusk of evening expositions already fashioned in the

ion of the people. We do not mean to intimate that the Commentary is exclusively a book for ministers and students, like Bloomfield, Alford, Wordsworth or Ellicot. It is at the same time a popular Commentary. olumns. We wish him and the church | Any intelligent reader may use it to advantage, and Sabhath school and Bibleclass teachers will find it a most valuable

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and at the same time with all the critical

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ceruing the word of God for the instruct-

But this general disquisition has left ns little space for remarks on the par ticular volumes which have given rise to them. Of Dr. Lange's Commentary on Mark, which forms a portion of volumo 2d, we need only say that it is fully equal, every way, to his Commentary on Matthew which formed volume 1st of the series. The translation is borrowed from the Edinburgh edition and revised by Dr. Shedd. It is therefore without the additions from Dr. Sohaff which so extended the Commentary on Matthew.

It we felt at liberty from so slight an examination to express a comparative We deem it worth while to give our judgment, we should pronounce Dr. Van 1-auers some account of this new and Oosterzee's Commentary on Luke supeand Mark, especially superior for practical use by English-speaking students. Wo have had occasion to examine particular passages in the Gospel of Luke, with Dr. Van Oosterzee as our guide and we are free to say we have scidom enjoy ed a commentator so greatly. There is a ring of accomplished scholarship, of clear, manly thought, and of genius with its suggestive power, that any in--something after the plan upon of the elasticity and buoyancy which, it

So far as we have been able to exammentary on the Acts, with the homiletical additions of Mr. Gorok, and Dr. tary is such as to facilitato still further Schaffer's additions from American ex the combination of the thoughts of many positors, fully equal in ability, and not minds in the illustration of Scripture. less interesting and full of vigorous life, The exposition is three-fold; under the than the previous volumes. This leeds heads severally of Critical and Exeget- us the more confidently to anticipate ical; Doctrinal and Ethical: and Hom- that the successive volumes covering iletical and Practical. And it is under- the entire Scriptures will fully meet stood that the Expositor shall avail him- the public expectation. Drs. Lange sen of the suggestions of the expositors and Schaff have furnished the public and preachers under any of these three with so high a standard of comparison, heads-the sacred text being arranged in what they have already done, that any into sections to facilitate that Eclectic | inferior work would now at once he re cognized and condemned as such.

For ourselves, and for the Christian ment with the German anthor, associa- public so far as represented by us, we ting with himself Divines of various return thanks to Messrs. Scribner & Co. Evargelical bodies in the United States, for their cuterprise in making so large undertakes to translate and edit, with an investment in the interests of outhostill further additions, the German work | lie evangelical Christianity. And this as it issues from the press. By this ar. | we do the more heartily from the fact rangement the American reader has the that we have just as freely scolded at advantage not only of the learning of them for lending the aid of their great Dr Lange and his associates in Germa- facilities for circulation, to such a work ny, but also of that of the most recent as Bushnell's "Vacarious Sacrifice." which we cannot regard in any other o prevent disappointment, however, light than as an unworthy trick of litwe s. ald remind our readers that this erary scepticism for gaining admission fundamentally a German Commen. for its masked infidelity, within the en-

We are glad of an opportunity to Il expectations in that line, yet its Doc. show that our objection to Bushnell and Trat and especially its homiletic expo. his class arises not from any rigid, sitions may strike them unfavorably at narrow notions of orthodoxy. Neither Srst, particularly if their ideal of homi Dr. Lange, Dr. Lechler, nor Dr. Schaff, retic exposition has been fashioned after come up to our notions of orthodoxy; e conceptions of Pool, or Scott, or Dod. but they stand upon that broad platform dridge, or Henry, or Barnes, or Jacobus, of catholic evangelical faith which honor Hodgo. These German preachers estly seeks to know the mind of the becca method of "Practical Observa. Spirit, not to find glosses for false

I an "improvement" of the pas town, Kentucky, writes us under date of

Parecs vould be puzzled to perceive We have just closed a short season of the locical councetion between the text religious meetings, with, we trust, healthand many of the homiletic suggestions ful results. The people generally seemed

gan of the movement for uniting all it is said, he s to receive \$10,000 Churches on the simple basis of accept | Nev, In Stiles has declined the Presipurpose of the more fanatical Protestantism of the North, under the caption and no doubt they owe you. If you pay lowing specimen of fanatical folly:

"That He shall reign forever and ever, is not mere poetry. How the older of the most influential congregations in God, fought for it, and almost got their the Church - Luthe ideal, we know. But alas, a had man's ambition "lost the cause." Cromwell forgot the pledge to the people of God, and we have been these two hundred years and more in getting the huge He was last hear stone up tho hill again.

The Union of Church and State as Venetia, and since now seen in Europe, is monstrous hut -though pursued w? ed men for centuries of contention are cuting a search for him. not apt to pursue a mere phantom. Save about fifty years past of rule in this nation, there had not been a complete sad accident by which the English Bish- Witsius on the Covenants, 3 vol separation of the Church and the State op of Calcutta lost his life. It appears he tempting them to indolence by furnish-ing experisions already fashioned in the but it by no means follows that all the Rotas. A man was preceding him with a 'He whose right it is shall reign' we seen afterwards. have been all this time moving with

> bear unlimited away. Jeffersou's ideas of government were should furnish the thoughts which were just where Freuchmen are to-day.

Reason reigned in Paris. Christ in growing measure has been gaining control hore. The Anti Slavery Reformation, culminating in the great Rebellion and viotory of Freedom, is but the be ginning of the working of Divine Truth questions, such as Temperance, Excise, dence, bearing the simple inscription Sabhath Laws, against which our New York Herald and the Satanic Press, generally growl so fiereely, are triumphs of the Theocratic idea. Conscience is abovo Constitutions was a great but most unpopular truth ten years ago, now the truth for which Wm. H. Seward of late. "In God wc Trust" now frecloxology is sung by Wall atreet gold

1859, because the Hero of the Nation | man Catholics of New York. within a Sabhatical seven years. The slave of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers abound in resolution of the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to Southern Methodist papers about the same period bids fair to view as having a word to say about ru lera. All this betokens that conscience is getting enthroned. Make Conscience Christian, then crown it, and you have sublime Theocracy.

Rev. Wm. S. Plumer, D. D., has removed from Pottsville, Penn, to Colum- reliquary described as "the most precious oia, South Carolina. Correspondents will please note the change.

Rev. Wm. S. White, D. D -The many eret to learn that his health is still such as to prevent his preaching.—Cen. Pres.

The following items we clip from the Church Union, a new paper published in Brooklyn N. Y., which seems disposed to were all in the bedroom of the Empres ventelate much that has been hidden when the Prince Imperial was born! from those who are not in the way of knowing what is going on in The Church. The High Churchmen are moving for a

Diocese embracing Long Island. At the first meeting of the two convocations of the Island, a procession, a la Popish was formed, headed by " the Bishop of New and some forty surpliced boys, chanting, after the most approved Papal methods, as they entered the Church. It is said that \$40,000 was offered by

ertain, or it seems an uncertain individu al, to endow the future Diocese, if Dr Littleighn were made Bishop Surely this question at least was settled, that, while thirty pieces of silver was the price of the suffering One, \$40,000 is the price of of mmodern Bishop. Walpole said every man had his price.

Old Trinity in New York, has a temest brewing. The Rector has introduc ed the "Processional Hymn," with bowugs and crossings before the altar, as na ther step toward Rome, and we know of more than one Vestryman who will no stand it. We do not believe that Trinity is ready to go over to Rome yct. Look out for squalls as the almanacs say, about this time

Bishop Potter has come in possession of a snug 'house and home," the donatiou we understand, of his Low Church admir-Now that he is liberated from obligations to Trinity for the "living of the gospel," we hope his vertebra will stiffen up somewhat by this load being removed.

Buptist Version of the New Testament .- Night Express Dr. N. M. Crawford, known as an able Baptist minister, advises the Biole Union to sell no more of these miscalled cor- Evening Express ... rected revisions, to fall back on the common version, and before they publish another revison, appoint on the Final Committee some man who knows English, and give him an absolute veto on all pro-

Rev. Dr. Burgress, of Portland, Me., has accepted the rectorship of a church in wood of Brooklyn. He has been rector of St. CHOICE FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES, Luke's Church since 1854.

Ten thousand dollars have been offered A BEAUTIFUL COLORED FLOWER PLATE, as an inducement to locate the Newark for frontispiece. Also, Descriptions of the Conference Seminary at Flanders, Morris Finest Flowers and Vegetables Grown, with county, N. J.

The Homeless Boys of London are to cents-not half the cost, be turned into sailors, the Admiralty customers of 1866 without being orderet, having provided a training-ship for the

Nova Scotia -The Record states that the Word, and night after night attended upon the means of grace. Some who have been cold and indifferent have returned to an important post in the city of Halifax the Rev. J. C. Cochrane who has been forty-two years in orders, and the oldest of ficiating clergyman in the diocese except to a forcefusion to preach in his surplice. an important post in the city of Halifax the Rev. J. C. Cochrane who has been forty-two years in orders, and the oldest ofone for refusion to preach in his surplice. | Jan. 17.-2t

Free Christian Commonwealth ions ready made, to be transferred di- The fears of a Great Spiritual Desputism | Alway MAKES IT PAY.—Rev. Henry INTERESTING AND VALUABLE REV. STUART ROBINSON'S Ward Ice her has engaged to write a lu the Brooklyn Church Union-or- 11 vel for the New York Ledger, for which

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Our Confession of Faith, teaches that is the Presbyterian Church; having all "Synods and Councils are to handle or power as such at its discretion, to make conclude nothing but that which is eccle- or unmake its constitution; to observe siastical; and are not to intermeddle or to pass by the express provisions of with civil affairs which concern the Com our ecclesiastical law. It would be sufmonwealth." This we understand to be ficient evidence against the doetrine, a prohibition of the very mixing of sub- that such an exigency had called it jects, and consequent mixing of juris forth. The theory which we holddiction, which the Dr. pleads as the and which is the real Presbyterian thejustification of the acts of the Assembly. ory-places the Church on a far more

He tells us, however, that in any ease solid and enduring basis. That which -whether the Assembly has rightful essentially constitutes and characterizes jurisdiction or not-we have a protect the Presbyterian Church, is its system tion of conscience in the right of pro- of doctrines and principles. In the detest and remonstrance. This is precise velopment of these its history may be ly what we claim and now are exercising. traced through the ages past, and by But when he further states that "nobody | these it may be identified through the has attempted to silence our remon ages to come. They are of the Presbythat "no man has been terian Church who hold these doctrines abridged of his freedom of speech," we and principles, whether they be few or are bound to take issue with him. So many. They who forsake these docfar from this being the case, before we trines and principles, whether they be a are through with these matters, we ex- minority or a majority, forsake the Prespect to consider some most unexampled byterian Church. Read how those earnmeasures, which have been enacted for est men spake, who struggled thirty the very purpose of sileneing remon- years ago, for these doctrines and prin that this much is true.

The Dr. did not advocate, in this ad- untarily leave the Church, whose formudress, such notions of the Assembly's larios they love and revere? And how supremacy as would annul all right of can they be chargable with schism, who private judgment and conscience. He preserve the-e formularies inviolate? is understood to have once said, "the And even should they be cast out by General Assembly is the Church of the excited wrath of those who have powers and unlimited jurisdiction; these standards with them-they will when it commands you are bound to Prophets and Apostles, Jesus Christ you think is wrong, say so like men." those who rally round the standards of press our minds fearlessly and honestly, are entitled to be regarded as the Presand stand firmly to our convictions, then byterian Church? It has been abun-

Free Christian Commonwealth to these matters the history of the Syn- obvious and settled meaning, we cannot od of Kentucky, from 1861 to 1865 had be chargable with any purpose of leavbeen a history of profest and remon- ing the Church. strance. He offered for himself the INTRODUCTION OF PROTESTANTISM INTO MIS amendment by which such remon-SISSIPPI AND THE SOUTHWEST .- By Rev. strance was expressed in the strong-John G. Jones, St. Louis: P. M. Pinck- est terms employed during the whole

cession of the Synod will be left for a fu-

ture treatment, when I propose to show

the separation hetween us and the As-

sembly—that so far as any exists we are

last extremity. Why should they vol

We find in an article of the New York ard, No. 510 Pine St. pp. 257-\$1 25. series of years, affirming the doliverance Evangelist of January 10th on the "Evan-THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE HISTORY OF THE of 1861 to be "repugnant to the word of gelization of London"—the following CHUACH FROM THE TIMES OF CHRIST TILL God." But he says it should be men-THE PRESENT.—By Rev. J. Ditzler. St. tioned in the same connection, that the very suggestive thoughts touching an individual Christian effort as distinguished from work by proxy. We commend This is true; and to it to the special attention of our Christian people in large towns:

How then were they as practical men to deal with this state of things? How were they as Christians, not of one denomination, but of every denomination, to reclaim the perishing multitudes around them? Paid agency alone would not do it. The pulpit alone would not reach the masses. The City Mission had failed to accomplish what was expected of it; for Sir Fowell Buxton, who was one of its most liberal and warmest supporters, had said a short time before he died, that he believed London was in a believed that many Christians had been led by that Mission to compound with a of the Assembly as give us no alternanoney payment for services which they ought themselves to have rendered, and which could never be delegated to others we believe it. If we are east out for with impunity. Money was needed, and our faithfulness, by a force of mere numpaid agency to some extent they must bers, does that prove that we have brohave; but until Christians were endned ken any purpose? Or, will our separawith the self sacrificing spirit which led the Moravian missionaries to enter the lazar house with the certainty that they terian Church? But these brethren would never come out again (for that was the law,) and there seek, at the expense of their own lives, to save the that we have separated ourselves both ropeless victius of disease, they would from the Presbyterian Church and from never bring the world to the rule of the Synod of Kentucky. It will be seen Christ. Happily, they were not called from the evidence of the truth and of on to make any such sacrifice; but that the facts, that in this they are grievousonly increased their responsibility, and y mistaken. These questions with that the work before them was still one of of the constitutional and historical suc-

self-denial. Every Christian has a personal responsibility in this matter which he cannot delegate to another, nor transfer to any society however excellent.

Societies have their proper place in all benevolent schemes, but they have been indirectly a means of injury in taking away the sense of individual res ponsibility, many persons devolving ipon them and compounding with them y their gifts, for their own personal abors. This we believe holds true of every society in England and in this country. It is the doing of our work by roxy that has been the bane of the churches; and this has had very much to do also with the low standard of piety f most Christians. We have long had ittle faith in any plan for evangelizing he masses of our cities, whether set on foot by a society, or by single churches, that does not contemplate church members coming into personal contact with the misery they would relieve, and the rreligion they would remove. There never has been a time when bands of Christian men and women from our old and wealthy churches could not have gone forth and planted the institution of religion in the needy portions of this eity. All that was wanted, and is novrequired, is to have the spirit which will lead them to deny them-elves, and make them willing to identify themselves with these incipient org inizations. They may give their millious of money, and sup port their thousands of paid agents, and remain in their ceiled houses, and their gorgeons churches, and the poor and the rreligious will go down to death and misery. Nothing but the warm heart, shown in active sympathy, in personal aequaintance and friendship, will ever touch the hearts of others, and win that large class in all our cities whom we wish

to reach and to save. The great revival in Newcastle and Donegal Presbyteries under the preaching of Blair and Whitfield.

We select from a Supplement to the Home and Foreign Record, the following account, first from Rev. Samuel State has no jurisdiction of a man as a of the constitution place upon it, if it Blair to Rev. Mr. Prince of Boston, and secondly from Whitfield's journal of the revival in 1840:

doctrine been sprung that the Assembly strance, and suppressing the right of ciples. Said Dr. Engles, referring to conscience. Every one is sufficiently the Old School men: "They have reacquainted with the "ipso facto" decree solved to rally round the standards of their expectations of life by him, and the British press is teeming. Hence, of the last Assembly, to understand the Church, and to eling to them to the that neither were they to obtain or seck among us, the "Book of the Hour," as evil. He explained that in respect while we maintain our standards in the dences of a true faith, &c.

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al of them had very remarkable and similates readily and helpfully with sweet deliverances this way. It was such practices as present religion, with perplexity and darkness, distress and posed holiness of beauty. Of some of difficulty, seeking God as poor, con- these influences I will briefly speak: demned, hell deserving sinners, the There is a mere vulgar love of luxuscheme of recovering grace through a ry and display, which aids this move-Redeemer has been opened to their un- ment. In our prosperous country, derstandings with a surprising beauty there are many men who grow suddenand glory, so that they were enabled to be- ly rich, and who have no mental cullieve in Christ with joy unspeakable ture, but who surround themselves at and fall of glory. . . . They freely and once with all the luxuries and splensweetly, with all their hearts, chose the dors of our modern civilization. I nei-

been for forty years before. And he lowing is taken from his account of his portion as they are rich. visit to Nottingham and Fagg's Manor.

and Mr. Cross.

warning, and in such a desert place. the Steamship, and the Church.

give up the ghost. would, most were drowned in tears. The low at every gloria.

v s to judgment.'

Sunday, Dec. 9th.

Our beloved church has been providentially preserved in her formularies f faith, and forms of service, from the influence and the works of this Judaiz-

ing and Romanizing spirit. But though this be the character of our church, as it was settled by the Reformers, and as it remains unchanged free-from those whe are still in bond "I appointed, in the spring, to preach | age to "beggarly elements," and aniwhen I was at home, and those meet- the days of Bancroft and Laud, they ings were well attended; and at several have constituted a party in the church. of such as were not in Christ, giving the Oxford tract movement, it aimed to were in that condition; and, moreover, an argumentative propogandism. Now, new covenant, through a Mediator, with od of bringing in and multiplying a erence, produces that which is the very the nature and necessity of faith in showy, attractive, symbolism and ritual-Christ, the Mediator, &c. I labored ism, which are the emodiments of true nature of religion, as the sinful much on the last mentioned heads, that | false and superstitious views, they teach | soul's awakening to its lost condition, the people might have right apprehen- an essentially Romish system, and in- its view of God as holy, its deep convicsioni of the gospel-method of life and fuse into many minds, an essenti lly tions of sin, its cry for merey, its justi salvation. I treated much on the way Romish spirit. I need not occupy fication by faith in the blood of Jesus, of sinners closing with Christ by faith, and obtaining a right peace to an awaksertion. They are alarmingly patent little constraining love for Christ, and its consecration to his service, and joy in ened wounded conseience; showing that all around us It is because you are so his holy word, they are lulled into an persons were not to take peace to themcon io of their existence that I am ignorant and supercitious for a truly selves on account of their repentings, here the eak of them to day. Hence spiritual experience, and fancy that the sorrows, prayers, and reformations: nor | the "I.r nicon" of Dr. Pusey. Hence, luxurious emotions of a gratified taste, to make these things the grounds of the innenerable works upon ritualism peace in extraordinary ways, by visions, the germ of a new monkery. Hence, St. dreams, or immediate inspirations, but Albany's Church, Hence, attempts at by an understanding view, and believ- union with the Greek Church. Hence, ing persuasion of the way of life as re- a Bishop's book upon the law of rit-

"After some time, many of the con- al truth lies smothered and strangled vinced and distressed afforded very and invisible in gorgeous robes and self-were walking in the conservatory, hopeful, satisfying evidence, that the wrappings, could be made to see that it and I was admiring some jasmines, he Lord bad brought them to a true clos- results inevitably from a sacramental said to me, "Norman, I have yet a little ure with Jesus Christ; and that their and priestly and exclusive Church theo- treasure to show you; and although it is distresses and fears had been in a great ry! For, apart from directing religions, small, it is great-greater than all these measure removed in a right gospel way, and ecclesiastical influences, there is -almost the greatest one I have. Can by helieving in the son of God. Sever | much in our age and country, which as- | you guess?" very agreeable to hear their accounts, gorgeous ceremonial, and substitutes how that when they were in the deepest for "the beauty of holiness," the sup-

way the ommandments; their in-than day as to live to him forever, a not was to live to him forever, a not will, and to the glory will, and to the glory nected with it, and result from it. Now which most strangely came to my resuch men are important members of a ated Whitfield was present parish. They are frequently members these meetings, and drew of the vestry, and are apt to be considworse condition spiritually than it had greater nut bers to hear him. The fol- ered wise, and to be influential in pro-

They, at least, occupy expensive pews, "Nottingham, May 14th, (1740). I and contribute largely to the Church. was invited thither oy some of the in- Now, such men, as a mere matter of habitants who had a good work begun luxury, and as carrying on life in the amongst them, some time ago, by the same general tenor, love to find every-ministry of Mr. Blair, Messrs. Tennents, where pomp and splendor, and a rich, sensuous character in all that surrounds "It surprised me to see such a great them. Theylove it in the Opera-House, multitude gathered together, at so short the Club-Room, the Drawing Room,

believe there were near twelve thou- They will at first, not particularly resand hearers. I had not spoke long, gard the fact, that it is ecclesiastical out I perceived numbers melting. As splendor, but only the fact that it is proceeded the power increased, till at splendor. When the music is just as last both in the morning and afternoon, good and as sacred as that of the opera, thousands eried out, so that they al- and of the Bateman Concerts, when the most drowned my voice. Never before dark, richly-dight Chancel, and its did I see a more glorious sight! O white-robed boys, and its priests, in what strong crying and tears were shed vestments that shine and rustle, march and poured forth after the dear bord about and how and prostrate themselves, lesus. Some fainted; and when they and keep up an animated movement, had got a little strength, they would and he is reminded vividly of some scene hear and faint again. Others eried out and seenery in an opera, or play-house, in a manner, almost, as if they were in he likes it extremely well. It seems the sharpest agonies of death! I think to make all his arrangements of life she looked at mo in a sort of pitying never was myself filled with greater complete, dignified, and harmonious. power. After I had finished my last dis- It brings the Church into line with all the course, I was so pierced, as it were, and other things in the midst of which ho overpowered with God's love that some lives. He, of course, will sustain the thought (I believe) that I was about to Rector and the party that wish this style of things to be continued, and en-"Thursday, May 15. Preached at larged, and glorified; and hearing from ogg's Manor, about three miles from that Rector that the Church, by her Mr. Blair's house; where I was carnest- various instrumentalities, infuses grace ly invited to come by him. And here into all submissive and receptive souls, also the Lord was pleased to cause and being quite sure that the services much of his glory to pass before us. make him, somehow, feel good and com-The congregation was as large as that fortable, it would not be surprising to yesterday at Nottingham. As great, see him soon an enthusiastic advocate no a greater commotion was in the of this Churchly system, and his daugh-

hearts of the people." Look where I ters serupulously eareful to bow very word was sharper than a two edged | The increase of esthetic culture and sword.' Their bitter cries and tears taste in our country, also exerts a sim. were enough to pierce the hardest heart, thar influence in the church. The love O, what different visages were then to of art, in all its branches, is becoming to do so. The next morning, and the be seen! Some were struck as pale as a passion in our land. I believe that death -others lying on the ground - our artists of the coming and next genothers wringing their hands-others eration are to be the l'oremost in the inling into the arms of their friends - world. They are now abreast with lost lifting up their eyes to heav- those that are most advanced. We on and erying out to God for mercy. I bave the talent, we have now tho hero- failed to come at that morning hour. think of nothing when I looked ie history, we have the wealth, and we One morning I said to her, almost un- MOSAIC CIVIL LAW, nem, so much as the Great Day. have the taste for the creation of a high oonsciously, as she uttered her neverey seemed like persons awakened by and ultimately a characteristic and na- failing invitation, "Tell me how Bessie." l last trump and coming out of their tional art. But now, in the first flush She looked at me a moment, and the of this new resthetie passion, it is somewhat eager and indiscriminating. To ual sm In the Protestant Episcopal us, in the new world, the old and the new in art are both equally novel and of Christ's love! Never, never shall I rest from a sermon preached by the attractive. Mem of taste and oulture Prof. C. M. Butler, D. D., of return from foreign travel or sojourn, hiladelphia, at the request of the and remember with vivid pleasure, the (hurch of the Ascension, N. 1'., in the new and strong emotions awakened by hurch of the Ascension, N. 1'., and majestic eathedrals, and the solemn the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn, services, around which were gathored eenturies of association, which they witnessed in old historic lands. As a matter of taste, quite apart from a religious feeling, they love to see and to foster anything which renews and freshens these associations. Very often too, looking at them in a single aspect, they return home with theories of the necessity of blending these old-time customs. with our raw and glaring civilization in our standards, she never has been in order to tone it down to a mellower free, and probably never will be wholly tint. Others again, have learned to depend for the fostering of their real or fancied religiousness upon such forms as every Friday through the summer, mated by a Romanizing spirit. From these. Hence, this new movement towards ex remeritualism, is apt to be encouraged and sustained by men of artistic of them the power of the Lord was re- They have sometimes been in the asmarkably with us. The main seope of cendency in numbers and in influence thetic, whether with or without religious my preaching through that summer, in the church of England. Vou know tendencies and professions. And its was laying open the deplorable state of how extensively this spirit is prevailing effect upon this class of minds, refined, man by nature since the fall, our ruin- there. You know how by a change of and susceptible to emotions from the ed, exposed case by the breach of the policy, it has made fearful advances beautiful and the picturesque, the venfirst covenant, and the awful condition both there and here. Not long ago, by erable and the old is apt to be partieu-form. larly injurious. They are prone to the marks and characters of such as bring in superstitious practices, through suppose, that whatever impresses the natural sentiment of veneration, and laying open the way of recovery in the by the subtler and more effective meth- awakens vague emotions of awe and revessence of religion. Ignorant of the

For the Children.

consecration to his service, and joy in

and the vague solemnities of mind pro-

duced by impressive outward forms, are

essential sanctification and salvation.

God's Little Messenger.

As I stepped upon the platform of the vealed in the gospel, through the sure- ualism, with its Jewish sign outside, depot, a hand was laid upon my arm, tiship, obedience and sufferings of and its Jewish wares within. It is a and a voice said, "Norman is this you?" Jesus Christ; with a view of the suita- real and urgent danger. It is com- I turned and looked at the speaker. It so happy now! Now I have all I want! Christ, it is elothed with supreme greater force in numbers, they will take bleness and sufficiency of that mediato- lorting to know that many of our Bish- was my old classmate, Richard , with ry righteousness of Chris', for the jus- ops recognize the fact, and are prepar- whom I had agreed to pass a few weeks, come, Lord Jesus!" And the little the exclusively spiritual nature of her turn what it commands must be obeyed still be the Church, founded on the tification and life of law comdemned ing a protest against its farther en and whom I had not seen for years be spirit, so pure, so holy, returned whence sinners; and there-upon freely accept- eroachments upon the simplicity and fore. After we had pushed our way it came! God's little messenger had fulsubmit or leave its communion." He being chief corner stone." If it was ing him for their Saviour, heartily con- dignity of our services. Would that through the noisy crowd, and were seatnow tells us, "if the Assembly does what true then, why is it not still true, that senting to and being well pleased with some who now distaste the fruit, had ed in his carriage, I looked at him again turned a soul to righteousness, and was the way of salvation, and venturing not been so Tascinated with the blos- and exclaimed, "Richard, how you have ealled home! If he means by this, that we ought to ex- the Church, and preserve them inviolate, their all upon his mediation, from the soms! Would that some who are now altered! how different now from the wild warrant and encouragement afforded of ready to cut down the tree, had not wa- youth of old?" "Yes, Norman, there little messengers" visited your house-God thereinto in his word, by his free tered its roots! Would that many who have been many changes with me since hold, and spoken to your heart, ere they it will be seen this is precisely as we dantly and repeatedly shown, that we offer, authoritative command, and sure reject the conclusion, had not admitted we parted, but the greatest has been have done, and all that has been done, are contending for the settled and time- promise to those that so believe. I en- the premises! Would that many in here," said he, smiling; and gently touch for which our names are to be east out honored faith of our Church. And deavored to show the fruits and evi- our Church who recoil from a fufly de- ing his breast. "Humph!" was my ejac- responded to the goutle call?—Drops of veloped ritualism, under which spiritu- inlation, which elicited no reply.

That evening, as he, his wife and my-

When we went back to the drawingroom he showed her to me-his beautiful little girl, his only child, his little Bessie! I was not fond of children, at least I thought so, but strangely did that little maiden win her way to my heartmy old bachelor heart! Eight cloudless summers of her sunny life had passed, and had each one, as it gently glided by left with her all its charms, she could not have been more beautiful.

That evening, sweet in memory to me, we became firm friends. She loved me because, when sho asked papa, he said he did. She sat with me a little while, and I told her an old, simple story, membranee; and then, after she, her papa and myself had had a frolic, she went to bed.

The next day we all went out for a drive, and a delightful one we had. Lit. tle Bessie was as bright and beautiful as the day, but there was sometimes a strange thoughtfulness of expression upon her face, which troubled me as being beyond hor years. As I was talking with her father, I said something jeer ing about Him who had led the only pure life upon the earth. Richard said not a word in reply, but motioned me to look at little Bessie. She was gazing into my face with a look of mingled hor ror and surprise, an expression such as I never saw before nor since, and which I shall never forget. She gazed so for a moment. No one spoke. Never had anything before been able to make me eel that religion was above my scoffing remarks; but as I glanced at that little face, so carnestly endeavoring to read mine, and saw the little maid burst into uncontrollable tears, I felt a certain shame that in the presence of one so pure I should have spoken perhaps what she had never heard before. Ther way, and said, "I thought you loved my Jesus! O, how could you say that of Him?" During the rest of the drive she lay upon her father's bosom in perfect silence, and no one spoke.

The next day I was alone in my room

thinking of all that had occurred, and a strange and unaccountable feeling of seriousness was creeping over me, s sort of longing to be like her, when suddenly the little maid was at my side. started as I saw her, and met that ender gaze of love and pity which she bent upon me. Her little hand was laid ipon my arm, and for a moment hoth were silent. Then the silence was hroken by the words, "Won't you love my Jesus?" and she was gone. I could not ridicule that lovely spirit, and yet some demon within me tempted my soul next, and the next, the little maiden came in the same way, said the same words, and disappeared. I never answered her, and at no other time did she allude to the subject, but she never next was seated on my knee. And the words that flowed—those simple, childish words, in which she told the story forget them. My eyes were far from dry when she went away, and there was no less of sorrow on her face than usual. And morning after morning she

came, and seemed never weary of telling the sweet tale, But one morning she did not come I waited a long time, but in vain. No little feet come pattering along the hall. No litttle hand was elasped in mine. No words of instruction were lisped in my ear! Presently there came a hurried knoek at my door. It was opened without waiting for permission, and hor father was with me. "Norman!" said he, "she has just waked from a long and heavy sleep, and is fearfully ill. Will you come? Tell me if you know what it is." I went. There lay the little one with eyes closed, and in a sort of stupor. I knew at a glanee. It was searlet fever! How I told those two aching hearts I knew not, but they were wonderfully ealm in their anguish. The doctor soon confirmed my statement but there was so painfully little to be done for the dear sufferer, that these two days almost passed by in silence as we three watched over the precious

We knew from the first that she was no longer of the earth, and it was indeed a heavy burden for us to bear, to think that she would no longer be the light of our hearts. I say we, for though I was perhaps mistaken, the little one had so taken possession of my heart, that it seemed to me that she could not be dearer to those who had the first earthly claim upon her affec-

At the end of the second day, her life seemed partially to return and she opened her large beautiful eyes, and smiling a little, said, "Dear mamma! dear papa?" and then looking around, ury Jesus? Mamma loves him! Papa are handsome and commodien loves him! And I am going to him, loves him! And I am going to him, and are placed in a health and I want to tell him that you love neighborhood, accessible him. Wou't you love him?"

"Bessie! little Bessie!" said I, "tell are Boarding, about \$18-Washing \$10-Conta Him my heart and life is His for evermore, and may my soul some day be as pure and undefiled as hers who bears the message to Him!'

"Mamma! papa! O my Jesus! I am come, come! Even so Now filled hor mission to the earth, had ings apart from and ale

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